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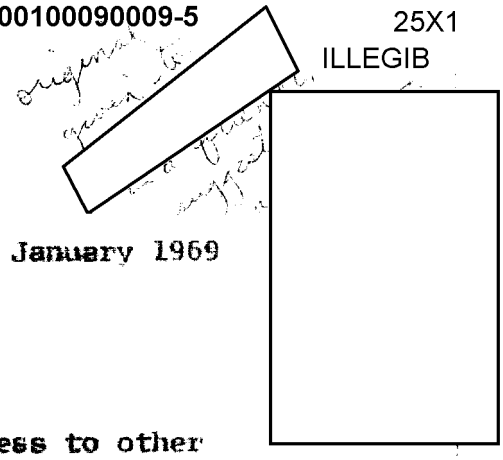

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Objectives of the COINS Experiment

1. To examine the extent to which ready access to other agency computer-based files via remote consoles influences the use of these files

*Tasks: Security (1) (2)
Data Standards
Operational Capabilities (1) (2)
Software
Test and Analysis Evaluation
File Maintenance
Data Bases '69 and '70

2. To isolate and define technical problems incident to designing, installing, operating, using, and maintaining an interagency computer-to-computer on-line intelligence retrieval system.

*Tasks: Communications (1) (2)
Security (1)
Operational Capabilities (1) (2)
Software
Data Standards
Upgrading of Computer Systems
Multi-level Security '70

3. To isolate and define human (and organizational) factors bearing on the acceptance and effective utilization of an interagency, computer-to-computer on-line intelligence retrieval system.

*Tasks: Security (1) (2) (3)
Education
Operational Capabilities (1) (2)
Software
Expansion
Test and Analysis Evaluation
File Maintenance

*The tasks are specified in Section III of the Coins Master Plan.

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4. To ascertain the essential characteristics which make an automated file acceptable for an interagency computer-to-computer on-line intelligence retrieval system.

*Tasks: Security (1)
Education
Data Standards
Data Bases '69 and '70
File Maintenance

5. To examine the extent to which a wide variety of uses with varying priorities can be accomodated in an interagency computer-to-computer on-line intelligence retrieval system.

*Tasks: Upgrading of Computer Systems
Operational Capabilities (1) (2)
Multi-level Security '70

6. To provide actual experience and practical training for intelligence analysts in the use of an interagency computer-to-computer on-line intelligence retrieval system.

*Tasks: Security (1)
Education
Software

7. Identify the resources required to conduct the Experiment in order to gain an insight into the resource requirements of any follow-on system.

*Tasks: No specific tasks are identified for this objective because all phases of the Experiment would contribute information to this objective.

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